to remove the obstructions of which has been the darling dream of engineers for the last six teen or seventeen years, is to be operated upon again to-day. Mr. Sidney F. Shelburne is the present contractor, but the new series of operations he commenced on Monday were unsuccessful, owing to the inclemency of the weather. Mr. Shelburne, like every other engineer, I suppose, who has attempted the cure of Heli Gate, brings with him a new and "never failing" apparatus, which consists of a steam engine and a drill enclosed in a vessel accommodated, so far as sinking purposes are concorned, to the fierce rush of the tide at Hell Gate, eight knots an bour being the maximum rate. Hell Gate is the bete noir of New York harbor, and Frying Pan Rock one of the most cantankerous points of Hell Gate; so that if Mr. Shelburne does not come second best out of the encounter, it he does not go from the Frying Pan into the fire, as I may say, he and his invention are to be congratulated. Hubard's copy of

HOUDON'S STATUE OF WASHINGTO has at length been removed to the Academy of Design from the City Hall, which it has decorated for so long a time. A not uninteresting little history is connected with this statue. Houdon the most celebra ed sculptor in Paris, was, in 1785, induced by Thomas Jefferson to Cast this country for the purpose of taking plaster casts of Washington prefusory to sculpturing a marble statue. When Houdon atrived in this country, so enchanting and persuasive was his address, so magnetic were his arguments, so extraordinary del Washington feel his abilities to be, that the Father of his Country, yielding to the solicitation with which Art seeks Truth, permitted himself to be laid in a state of nature upon a table whilst the necessary casts were taken. It was thus that Hondon was able to present to the world a statue whose fidelity to the original in form and lineament has never been equalled, and no free spirit reverences Washington the less for baving for the moment vanquished the bashfulness of his nature out of a regard for the interests of art and the inquisitiveness of posterity.

"WHO IS THERE TO MOURN FOR LOGAN? NOT ONE," with reference to the batch or James Logans w'o have from time to time been overhaule! and taken to police headquarters. Since I last wrote one or two more have been arrested, and if things go on at this rate the House of De ention will soon teem with an indefinite number of "doubles" of the undiscovered murderer. All the newspapers, even the long suffering Tribute. which is fond of denouncing the quick-witted Herald, are getting disgusted by this time with the fussiness and failure of the Coroner and police But notwithstanding the many cries of "wolt," the public anticipates a discovery every moruing, and is far from growing used to the

As the Mingo chief exclaimed, in his message

to Lord Dunmore, so might I exclaim-

from prosecution, to the passive accomplice o Logan, should he appear as a witness against him, has as yet produced no response. THE PARK COMMISSIONERS have denounced the velocipede, and refused to have the unclean thing in Central Pack. Reason why, it frightens the horses. Now, in my private opinion, Central Park is large enough to have a velocipede course of its own. In this progressive age, when the velocipede is a part

matutinal disappointment. The latest procla-

mation, offering a reward of \$3000 and a freed om

of progress, the proceedings of the Park Commissioners are looked upon as narrow-minded and bigored. It bor-es are frightened by the velocipede, so much the better for the horses. If it is the horse that must succumb to the velocipede, and not the velocipede that must succumb to the horse; for if all that. is said be true the millennium is at hand, when they shall be turned out to seed on the fat of the land, and the veto-tpede shall super-ede beasts of borden, and trothing on the Fasnim course shall be no more forever.

On Tuesday evening the Courch of the Saviour, in Pierrepont street, near Cluton, Bio, kiji, was the scene of a FASHIONABLE WEDDING,

the oarties to which were Mr. Henry Jessup Stevenson, of the firm of William Jessup's Sons, and Miss Jane Clements Jessup, daughter of the late Henry Jessup, of Brooklyn. It is currently leved that most fashiouable brides and bride rooms would be willing to find the traditions me of the honeymoon a myth for the glory of eing married in Grace Church, of this city. 'his may, however, be a mere fashionable pre udice or on di; for, certainly, as superb an array of wealth and fashion as the canail'e would care to gape at was assembled on the morning in question in the Caurch of the Saviour. All Brooklyn Heights assisted, which is surely put ting the Heights to a better purpose than filling up East River with them!

MR FISK, JR., who has so long been playing opera bouffe ro es, under the disguise of Eric stock and newspaper quarrels, has brought out Manager Bateman, so it is said, and in ends to knock the daylights out of all the old order of thlugs at what used to be Pike's opera house. Whether Mr. Bateman will return to his daughter and tear als hair and make faces before the footlights, as is armly believed to have been his wont while mat young lady was a comparative novice (such

gesticulation being! intended to furnish that f young lady with the oue to certain effective points), has not yet transpired. Meanwhile Mr. Tayleur, has gone to England, not with the purpose of importing any more English blondes, I hope yet for what other purpose I dare not guess, and Pike's, or rather Fisk's, opers house is to commence the dramatic season some time in March with the Tempest,

LA COTERER was celebrated last evening at the Academy of Music. At an early bour yester lay morning, as I passed by, I saw workmen busy with the chandeliers, gas ornaments, bouquets, emblems, costumes, bird-cages, tountains, and other laxuries so lavishly advertised by the directors. At an early hour this morning Fourteenth street and Irving place resounded with the roll for carriages, bearing homeward wear ed revellers who had drained to the sweet dregs this initial cup of Philadelphia enterprise. All Bana.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC.

Madame Parepa-Rosa's Concert.

Madame Parepa-Rosa's concert last evening attracted a large audience, and the lady herself was received with much enthusiasm. Madame Rosa is one of the few really great singers now before the public, a: d she is deservedly a favor ite in this city, where musical talent of the first order is always sure of a hearty recognition. The entertainment last evening was one of the most brilliant of its kind that has been given here for a long time. The programme was exvellent, and the artists who supported Madame Rosa acquitted themselves in a manner to satisfy the most critical demands. The only rregularity was caused by the non-arrival of Signor Ferranti's dress coat, which caused him to delay the commmencement of the concert for some time, and obliged him, after all, to appear in his morning dress. The audience was good-natured, however, and as the singe, exerted himself with effect to deserve their good opinions, they did not take into considerat tion the nice point of etiquette involved in the difference between a bob-tailed coat and a claw-hammer jacket.

Madame Ross returns to us from a grand tour on the Pacific coast and through the Western States, where she has everywhere been received with the utmost enthusiasm. Her voice is as fresh, pure, and expressive as ever. Her brilliant execution of "Wie nahte nir der Schlum. mer," from Der Freischutz, called forth an encore, in answer to which she saug the ballad of "Forget Me Not." The song of "Waiting," in the second part of the programme, was also en cored, and Madame Rosa gave an Irish air, "I Knew he Loves me Dearly," and "Comin; Through the Rye." In the laughting trio, "Vadasi via di que," with Signor Ferranti and Mr. Brookhouse Bowler, which concluded the performance, her delicious voice was heard with the best effect.

The honors of the evening were shared with Madame Rosa by Mr. J. Levy, the English cornet player. This gentleman fully deserves all the encomiums which have been passed upon h m; and the brilliancy, delicacy, and feeling which characterized his execution delighted as well as astonished his hearers. Mr. Levy's performance of the "Exile's Lament" was encored, nd he gave the "Carnival of Venice" in a manner that would scarcely be thought possible on the cornet. "His "Levy-athan Polka" was also encored.

Signor Ferranti confirmed his reputation as one of the first buffo singers of the day, and he gave the "Largo al Factotum," from The Barber, and the rong ' Femmine, Femmine," with fige omic expression. Mr. Brookhouse Bowler, whose rich tenor makes him a favorite, sang the ballad of "Beware" and 'Let Me Like s Soldier Fall," from Maritana, with much feeling. The last piece was encored, and Mr. Howler gave the ballad of "Who Shall be Dearest," Mr. J. N. Pattison, the planist, performed his part in the programme with a brilliancy of touch that won for him the apprecia tive notice of the audience. The concert alto. gether was thoroughly enjoyable, but we would suggest to the management that a strict adherence to the printed programme would have oven more satisfactory. Concert singers are entirely too careless about this matter, and it is nnoying to the audience to have an artist substrute a new selection without giving some rotice to that effect.

The City Amusements. AT THE ARCH Daly's drama of A Flash of ghiung will be performed this evening.
AT THE WALNUT Mr. J. C. McDonough will ear tols evening in Boucicault's drama of After Dayk

AT THE THEATRE COMIQUE the optretta of

'60' will be given this evening, Ti-morrow Miss Susan Gaiton will have a benefit, and will appear in two of Offenoach's AT THE AMERICAN the pantomime of Jack the

Giant Killer will be performed this evening.

MADAME PARKPA ROSA will give her last concert this evening at Concert Hall.

CARL WOLFSOHN will give his third matinee at the Foyer of the Academy of Music to-mor-row, at a o'clock P. M. Mr. Ed and Colonne and Herr Rudolph Hennig, the distinguished viologicellist, will appear. A fine programme

viologicellist, will appear. A fine programme will be presented.

The Philadelphia Philharmonic Society will give their first grand concert at the Academy of Music on Saturday evening. A large orchestra will render Beethoven's Sevenin Symphony and other first-class music, and Mad'ile Camilla Urso, the young violinist, and Mr. Charles H. Jarvis, the planist, will appear. Tickets for non-subscribers can be procured at the office of the Society, Ns. 102 Chesnut strest, and at the Academy of Music on the day of the and at the Academy of Music on the day of the

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Wheaton Smith, D. D., JOHN C. COLE, of Troy, N.
Y., and EMMA M. SMILEY. daughter of Dr. Thomas
T. Smiley, of this city. No cards.
STREIFF-STEVENSON.—On D-cember 27, 1868,
by Rev. J. H. Alday, Mr. J. STREIFF to Miss MARY
STLVENSON, all of this city.

DIED.

CARNES, -On the lith matant, Mrs. MARY ANA (ARNES, in the 66 h year of her age. The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, from her late residence, No. 527 Thompson street, on Sunday attendon a. 1 o'clock. To priceed to Odd Fellows' Cametery.

To proceed to Odd Fellows' Cemetery.

DIOK.—Janeary 12 1956. WALTER B. DICK, in the 67th year of his age.

The friends and relatives the members of the Pennsylvania Historical, St. A. diew's, and scous' Inistic to cleater; a st. Eastern Star Lodge, No. 1 S. A. Y. M., age invited to attend the funeral, form his late residence, No. 625 N. Eighth street, on Friday afternoon at 1 o'c. ock. Interment at Woodlands.

LAIN.—On the lith instant. Mr. JOSEPH T. LAIN, son of Mary H. and the late James R. Late, aged his years.

years.

The relatives and friends of the family, Southwark Lodge, No. 186, L.O. of O. F. Shill r. Hose and Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 31 Southwark Lodge, No. 18, K. of P.; and the Employes of the Paschal Iron Works, are respectively invited to attend the funeral from his late residence. No. 638 Sears street, below Whar'on and below Sevents, on Sinday afternoon at 2 o'clock. To proceed to Wharton St.eet Church Vault. PEALE.—On Tue day evening, the 1th instant, ITARRIAT C. PEALE, relict of the late Rembrands Church Vault.

Peale.
The relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, from her late residence, No. 1.05 Vine street, on Saturday morning, the 15th instant, at 110 clock. PHILLIES. - At Bristol, Pa., on Toesday, the 12th Instant, Dh.BORAH W., widow of John Phillips. Relatives and friends of the family are respectfully

invited to attend her maeral, from the residence of her son-in-law. Symmeton Phillips, on Frid.y. Janu-ary the 15th instant, as 2 o'clock, without further no-SLACK —At noon on the 12th instant after a lingering lilness, Mrs. ELIZ 'BETH W. SLACK, relict of Abner B. Slack, in the 65th year of her age.

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